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CAPE TOWN FOR EMBASSY

E.O. 11652: GDS
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SUBJ: RHODESIA: GRAHAM-LOW TRIP

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1. SEITZ AND I MET WITH JOHNNY GRAHAM AND CO. THURSDAY MORNING. GRAHAM GAVE US A NEW REVISED COPY OF THE "STEERING BRIEF" FOR OUR TRIP, SAYING IT TOOK INTO CONSIDERATION DEPARTMENT'S COMMENTS CONTAINED REFTEL. I HAVE NOT YET HAD AN OPPORTUNITY TO REVIEW IT CAREFULLY. PRESUME LONDON WILL FORWARD TEXT.

2. TIMING: RHODESIAN REP HAWKINS REPORTED TO BRITISH HICOM SCOTT IN PRETORIA THAT NO ONE IN SALISBURY WOULD BE PREPARED TO RECEIVE US BEFORE MONDAY JUNE 5. GRAHAM AND I THEREFORE TENTATIVELY AGREED HE WOULD TRAVEL TO LUSAKA MAY 31 OR JUNE 1 FOR A COUPLE OF DAYS OF DISCUSSION TOGETHER AND WITH PF/ZAPU. WE WOULD THEN OFFER TO GO TO MAPUTO FOR A MEETING WITH PF/ZANU IF THEY WISHED. WE PLAN TO HAVE A DISCUSSION IN PRETORIA WITH THE SAG FOREIGN MINISTRY AFRICA OFFICER, PROBABLY JUNE 5,
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AND TRAVEL TO SALISBURY ABOUT THE 6TH. ALL THIS IS STILL TENTATIVE. GRAHAM AND I WILL WORK ON ORAL TALKING POINTS FOR OUR PRESENTATION HERE IN LUSAKA. WE WILL SEEK TO DEVELOP A BASIS FOR AN ONGOING DIALOGUE AND PROTECT AGAINST PROVIDING THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE WITH AN OPPORTUNITY OR AN EXCUSE TO CUT THE TALKS SHORT. WE BOTH AGREE THAT MY WIFE'S PRESENCE WILL HELP PERMIT SOCIAL CONTACTS WITHOUT APPEARING TO BE TOO

POLITICALLY ACTIVE. IN THIS CONNECTION DEPARTMENT WILL WANT TO CONSIDER AUTHORIZATION FOR REPRESENTATION FUNDS FOR ME IN SALISBURY.

3. I BRIEFED GRAHAM AND HIS COLLEAGUES ON THE KAUNDA VISIT.

4. IN GENERAL GRAHAM ACCEPTED DEPARTMENT'S COMMENTS CONTAINED REFTEL. WE REVIEWED THE SUBSTANCE ON A NUMBER OF ISSUES. THERE WERE NO MAJOR DIFFERENCES BETWEEN US AND WE BOTH AGREED WE WOULD HAVE TO BE FAIRLY FLEXIBLE IN OUR DISCUSSIONS.
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